

EJ and Air Workshop, September 6-7, 2007
Project Information and Summary

Cherokee Heights

1. Please provide a brief Description of your project/activity.

The CNEP Air Program is monitoring air toxics through 1-in-6 day VOC canister sampling at our Pryor air monitoring shelter, located near the Cherokee Heights community. Cherokee Heights is less than one mile from some sections of a 9,000-acre industrial park. The Pryor shelter also has meteorological equipment, continuous PM2.5 and PM10 monitors, and NOX, NOY, ozone and SO2 monitors.

2. Why is it important for communities to know about this project/activity?

People need to know about potential air quality issues in their area. There have been a few complaints about odors by residents, but many do not think about the possible health risks that constant exposure could pose. They need to know about the risks and where to get information so they can make informed decisions.

3. What have been the successes and challenges associated with this project/activity?

The success is that we now have monitoring in place, and can show our citizens that we listen to them, and care about their health and welfare. The challenge will be to determine what we do with our findings that will make a difference in the overall air quality for our citizens.

4. Where can communities go for more information about this project/activity? (web and/or contact information)

<http://www.itecmembers.org/>

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